

Dear Co-Chair Kennedy, Co-Chair Miner, Co-Chair Demicco, Vice Chair Flexer, Vice Chair Gresko, Vice Chair Somers, Ranking member Harding, and Honorable Members of the Environment committee.

I CARE ABOUT ANIMALS, INCLUDING WILDLIFE, AND I VOTE. Please accept this public hearing testimony for the following 5 bills, and a request to bring up HB 5615 (which would allow towns to ban trapping).

Please oppose the following: SB 522 (which would allow bear hunting), and HB 5499 (would expand Sunday hunting firearms, by allowing the use of shotguns, rifles, and muzzleloaders).

Please support the following: HB 6335 (ivory sales ban), support with amendments SB 942 (Cecil's law, anti-trophy hunting). Also please support HN 6334 (which would require registration for brick-and-mortar animal shelters, etc.)

Finally, in these last days of public hearings, I ask that you consider bringing up HB 565 for a public hearing, which would give local control to allow municipalities to determine whether or not they want to ban trapping.

Thank you for your efforts on behalf of our Connecticut animals,
Yours Truly,
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